

**REMARKS**

Applicants elect for further examination the claims of Group II, i.e., claims 5-7 and 15, drawn to a chicken GHRH receptor and encoding nucleic acid. Applicants make the election without traverse.

Applicants believe that the foregoing is fully responsive to the outstanding Official Action. If, however, the Examiner believes that any further information or election is required, the Examiner is encouraged to contact applicants' attorney at the number provided below. Such informal communication will expedite examination and disposition of the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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